



RESOLUTION

NAMING A PORTION OF COLLEGE WALK MALL THE DR. JOSE RIZAL SQUARE.

WHEREAS, subsections (e) and (f) of Sec. 22-9.5 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990, as amended ("ROH"), state:

- (e) All naming or renaming of city parks, sites or facilities shall be by resolution by the council of the City and County of Honolulu. Approval for the erection or placement of permanent memorials shall be by resolution, provided that an appropriate budget ordinance has been enacted where required.
- (f) The council may, on its own motion, designate a name for a new or existing park, site, facility or memorial, consistent with the requirements set forth herein, by adoption of an appropriate resolution;

and

WHEREAS, additionally, ROH Sec. 22-9.3 states that, "in exceptional cases, a new or existing park, site or facility may be named for a person, or for a belief, ideal, concept or historical event of significance to the community, city, nation or world"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jose Rizal ("Dr. Rizal") was born on June 19, 1861 in the town of Calamba, Philippines, and went on to study in Manila, Spain, Germany and France; and

WHEREAS, a celebrated polymath, Dr. Rizal was an ophthalmologist, sculptor, painter, educator, farmer, freemason, poet, novelist, and social commentator; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rizal was also a nationalist and a prominent advocate for reforms in the Philippines during the Spanish colonial era, pushing for freedom of assembly and speech and equal rights for Filipinos; and

WHEREAS, although Dr. Rizal advocated for reforms through peaceful means rather than by violent revolution, Dr. Rizal was implicated in the activities of the growing rebellion and was exiled and later convicted and sentenced to death for rebellion, sedition and conspiracy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rizal was executed by a firing squad on December 30, 1896 at the age of 35 years; and



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WHEREAS, many attribute his writings and martyred death as a catalyst for the Philippine Revolution (1896 - 1898), which resulted in the secession of the Philippine Islands from the Spanish Empire; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rizal is considered a national hero in the Philippines and the anniversary of his death is commemorated as a Philippine holiday called Rizal Day; and

WHEREAS, monuments have been erected and public facilities have been named in honor of Dr. Rizal all over the world, including the United States, Spain, Germany, the Czech Republic, Mexico, and Peru, among others; and

WHEREAS, College Walk Mall is a 1.58-acre mall located alongside the Ewa side of the Nuuanu Stream between Beretania Street and Vineyard Boulevard, Honolulu, Hawaii, and is home to a sculpture of Dr. Rizal; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rizal's fight for equality through peaceful means is inspirational to nations around the world and the council believes that it would be appropriate to name the portion of College Walk Mall surrounding the sculpture of Dr. Rizal the Dr. Jose Rizal Square; and

WHEREAS, the Order of the Knights of Rizal is an international fraternal organization based in Manila that was organized in 1911 and chartered by Republic Act 646 for the purpose of propagating the teachings of Dr. Jose Rizal; and

WHEREAS, the Order of the Knights of Rizal-Hawaii Chapter was organized in 1971 in Honolulu, Hawaii, for the same purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Order of the Knights of Rizal-Hawaii Chapter was instrumental to the initiation of this resolution and pledges to assist with the maintenance of the Dr. Jose Rizal Square; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the portion of College Walk Mall immediately surrounding the Dr. Jose Rizal sculpture be named the Dr. Jose Rizal Square; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the council requests the city administration to work with the Order of the Knights of Rizal-Hawaii Chapter to erect appropriate signage and approves the placement of such signage at the park; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the mayor and the director of parks and recreation.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

April 21, 2010
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
C E R T I F I C A T E

RESOLUTION 10-99, CD1, FD1

Introduced: 04/21/10 By: DONOVAN DELA CRUZ

Committee: PUBLIC SAFETY AND
SERVICES

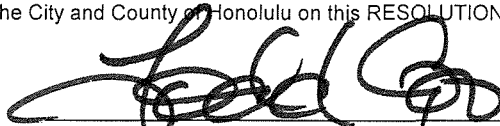
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Links: RES10-99
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CR-130

PUBLIC SAFETY AND SERVICES	05/06/10	CR-130 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN <u>CD1</u> FORM.			
COUNCIL	05/12/10	RESOLUTION 10-99, CD1 AMENDED TO FD1.			
ANDERSON Y		APO Y	CACHOLA Y	DELA CRUZ Y	DJOU Y
GARCIA Y		KOBAYASHI Y	OKINO Y	TAM Y	
CR-130 AND RESOLUTION 10-99, CD1, FD1 WERE ADOPTED.					
ANDERSON Y		APO Y	CACHOLA Y	DELA CRUZ Y	DJOU Y
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.


BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK


TODD K. APO, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER